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Date		Program
9/4		No Meeting – Labor Day
9/9	Sat	Chesterfest 2006 – Check the assignment sheet. Contact Joe or Noel.
9/11		Regular Meeting – Regular Meeting at Eckerd's with meal and program. 6:30 PM.
9/16	Sat 4PM	Williamsburg Shrimp Fest
9/18		Regular Meeting – Regular Meeting at Eckerd's with meal and program. 6:30 PM
9/25		Installation of Officers 2006-2007 – Location to be announced.
9/26	Tues.	Kiwanis Club of Chester – Golf Tournament
10/2		Regular and Board Meeting – Regular Meeting at Eckerd's with meal followed by the October Board Meeting. 6:30 PM

Meetings are held on Monday Nights at Eckerd's Drug store in Chester at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted. Contact Program Chair Bill Rhea with suggestions.

Presidential Message

Greetings! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and are now ready to face the excitement of the Kiwanis New Year. As my term comes to a close, I'll look back at our accomplishments this past year with a smile on my face (and just a bit of a sigh of relief!) But, it's not quite over yet.

We have **Chesterfest** coming up on Saturday the 9th. This event gets a little better each year. Like the community around us, it is growing and developing into something exciting ... and different. It is up to us to join in the excitement ... or pass into history. Our Sponsored Youth and Club will be represented at the event. This is our big opportunity to remind the community what we are and what we do. Please come out and participate – even if you aren't in a formal time slot. Thanks to **Joe** and **Noel** for putting this together.

We also have a fundraising activity this month. The first **Annual Chester Kiwanis Golf Tournament**. As with all first time activities, we are falling behind in signing up golfers to attend the tournament. It is not too late to ask. We can send out all the brochures in the world, but a friendly handshake and a quick plug can often work wonders. I want to thank **Hank Dvorak** in advance for his efforts in pulling this together.

Speaking of thanks, I have already thanked **Rick, Jay, and Brad** for opening their homes to the club this summer. It won't hurt to thank them one more time here and especially to thank their spouses for giving us the green light. All who have done this recognize the effort and careful planning required for our two hours of fun. And it was so much fun getting out with our spouses for an enjoyable afternoon of food, beverage, and a heavy dose of desert. Brad's dog and Jay's parrot will never be the same.

Looking forward, we have a special event coming up on Friday, September 15, 2006. Our **International President, Steve Siemens** is coming to help dedicate the newly refinished **Kiwanis Family Care Center** at VCU Children's Medical Center's pediatric ward. Our club has been contributing to this project with labor and money over the past few years and it is our privilege to be invited to the dedication. See **Rick Dodson** for details.

Please plan to attend the **Officer's Installation Dinner**, scheduled for September 25th. This is our opportunity to review the successes of the past year and recognize the members who made it all happen. With the passing of the baton (or in my case, a heavily padded gavel) to **President Elect Ron Gray**, comes the excitement and promise of a new year of Kiwanis activities. Like all past presidents, I'll be around to encourage Ron as he puts together the plans for the New Year. I urge you to step forward. The club is built on new ideas, new members, and new leaders. Happy New Year!

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Kiwanis Family Care Center Dedication
 VCU Children's Medical Center
At the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond at Boulevard and Kensington
Robins Family Forum Auditorium
Friday Sept 15th at 1 PM

For over two years, members of Div 4, 18, and 24 have been raising \$100,000 to renovate the family care center on the pediatric floor of MVC Hospital.
 We are all invited to attend this dedication. **Kiwanis International President Steve Siemens** will be in attendance.

“Pres Steve” **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

Interclubs -

Please call Danny Wyatt, 748-3962(H) or e-mail him at dwyatt@pearceandcompany.com if you can Interclub this month.

Jay, Dayton and Rick joined the newly formed **Kiwanis Club of Hopewell** for their breakfast meeting. The Hopewell club meets on the first and third Tuesdays each month at the Courthouse Cafe. The Kiwanis Club of Chester is the sponsor for the Hopewell Club, and we are glad to see this group reactivated. The Hopewell Club was first chartered in 1925 and operated until it was disbanded in 1999. Our member Jay was originally with the Hopewell Club.

Children, Priority One –



Thanks to everyone who participated in reading to children this summer at two daycare facilities in the Chester area. All the feedback has been positive. The children really appreciate the attention and hopefully our readings will help them understand the gift of the written word and accompanying illustrations.

Stacy Chisholm, Chairman

School is in – So are Terrific Kids and Key Club

We proudly sponsor the Key Club at [Thomas Dale High School](#). Kiwanis Club of Chester members meet with the TDHS Key Club twice per month during the regular school year
 See Nicole, Wayne, and Marshall to participate.

**COMING SOONER THAN YOU THINK
 CHESTERFEST 2006**

Saturday, September 9 - Please mark your calendar and plan to participate some part of the day. We will be joined in this effort by our Keyette and Key clubbers. This is our big chance to show the community what we stand for, our accomplishments, and our plans for our community.
 Wear your K-hat and K-shirts!

Joe Hillier, Chairman

CHESTER KIWANIS GOLF TOURNAMENT



September 26, 2006 is fast approaching. This will be the date of our First Annual Chester Kiwanis Golf Tournament.

Our goal is to get 24 teams of four golfers each. It is not too late to get one golfer to compete; he will get his team together. Rick Elder will be our contact for team entries. Time is running out, we must have everyone signed up by Monday September 11th.

Anniversaries

Bill & Cathy Rhea	08/06
Linda & Floyd Torrence	08/13
Richard and Ashley Elder	08/20
Carol & Gary Crutchfield	08/22
David & Barbara Elswick	08/23
Nancy & Chris Perry	08/24
Pat & Ted Rayman	08/31
Pat & Hank Dvorak	09/08
Phil & Janet Crow	09/10
Walter and Judy Ward	08/05

Birthdays

Brenda Triplett	08/09
Linda Torrence	08/09
Ron Gray	08/13
David Triplett	08/15
Nancy Perry	08/19
Jennifer Castro	08/25
Marshall Henry	08/26
Danny Wyatt	08/27
Susan Wyatt	08/29
Mike Dubus	08/30
Robin Moore	09/03
Carol Crutchfield	09/10
Lewis Corde	09/12
Tolleison Morriss VI	09/13
Russ Spriggs	09/15
Barbara Elswick	09/25

We still need sponsors to help us reach our goal. So that we do not have overlapping solicitation to businesses or individuals, Guy Smith will be our contact for solicitations. If you have any questions, you can contact any of these members on the committee: Rick Dodson, Ricky Elder, Tam Moody, Guy Smith, Tom Williams, or myself. Let's each get one team and one sponsor and we will have a successful fund raiser.

Hank Dvorak, Chairman